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UNIVERSITY AND EDUCATIONAL NEWS.

THE Goldsmiths Company that some time since purchased the economic library of Professor Foxwell for \$50,000, has presented it to the University of London with an endowment of \$50,000 a year for five years.

THE debt of Bristol University College, amounting to \$25,000, has been cleared by subscriptions including two of \$5,000 from Sir William Wills and Sir Frederick Wills.

THE Carnegie Trustees are elaborating a scheme to provide funds to the four Scottish Universities for the purpose of endowing post-graduate research.

A COURSE on forestry has been established at the University of Toronto.

A MEETING of about fifty members of congregation at Oxford passed without dissent a resolution recommending that candidates for honors in mathematics and natural science be not required to pass an examination in Greek on entering the university. Congregation has passed a resolution exempting students who have passed the *Abiturienten* examination at a Gymnasium in Germany, Austro-Hungary, or Switzerland from responsions.

It is hoped that the Rhodes scholars from Cape Colony, Natal, and Rhodesia may be elected in time to go into residence at Oxford in October next and also the first students from Germany, who are to be appointed by the German Emperor, but the other scholarships will not commence before October, 1904.

MOST of the regents of the University of the State of New York have signed a memorial address to the governor, legislature and people of the state of New York asking that the exclusive power and duty of supervising public education to the state be committed to them. At the same time a bill has been introduced at Albany organizing a state board of education within the board of regents. According to this bill, nine regents of the university would be elected by the legislature forming a board of education, who would elect a superintendent of public instruction and supervise the primary and secondary schools.

PURSUANT to the suggestion of President Butler, the members of the various departments of Columbia University have grouped themselves together into divisions. The organization of the divisions dealing with scientific subjects is as follows:

Biology, comprising the Departments of Anatomy, Bacteriology, Botany, Physiology, Physiological Chemistry and Zoology—Chairman, Professor John G. Curtis; Secretary, Professor Bashford Dean.

Chemistry, comprising the Departments of Chemistry and Physiological Chemistry—Chairman, Professor Chas. F. Chandler; Secretary, Dr. Henry C. Sherman.

Geology, Geography and Mineralogy, comprising the Departments of Geology, Geography and Mineralogy—Chairman Professor Alfred J. Moses; Secretary, Dr. Lea McL. Luquer.

Mathematical and Physical Science, comprising the Departments of Astronomy, Mathematics, Mechanics and Physics—Chairman, Professor J. Howard Van Amringe; Secretary, Dr. William S. Day.

Mining and Metallurgy, comprising the Departments of Metallurgy and Mining—Chairman, Professor Henry S. Munroe; Secretary, Mr. J. F. McClelland.

Philosophy, Psychology and Anthropology, comprising the Departments of Anthropology, Philosophy and Psychology—Chairman, Professor J. McK. Cattell; Secretary, Dr. Adam Leroy Jones.

JOHN HENRY MACCRACKEN, president of Westminster College, at Fulton, Mo., has resigned to become assistant to his father, the chancellor of the New York University.

MR. BRUCE FINK, of the Upper Iowa University, has accepted the chair of botany at Iowa College, and will assume the duties in September.

PROFESSOR KARL MARBE has been appointed professor of psychology at Wurzburg.

MR. P. A. SMITH has resigned as instructor in mathematics in the University of Illinois to accept a position in the Hiroshima Higher Normal School of Japan.

THE Lucasian professorship of mathematics at Cambridge, vacant by the death of Sir George Gabriel Stokes, will be filled on February 28. The electors are the heads of the several colleges of the University.